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CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

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SUBJECT: SWAPO REACTION TO CAPE TOWN TALKS

1. WE PREFER TO READ SWAPO'S OFFICIAL COMMENTS ON NAMIBIA
TALKS AS NOT REJECTING WESTERN EFFORTS THUS FAR. IN THIS
REGARD, WE ARE STRUCK BY SWAPO'S CONTINUING RELIANCE
ON SC RESOLUTION 385. THIS RELIANCE IS ESPECIALLY
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PRONOUNCED IN CONTRAST TO ITS PAST STATEMENTS WHEN SWAPO
REFERRED TO VARIOUS UNGA RESOLUTIONS AS HAVING EQUAL
STATUS.

2. ON THE OTHER HAND WE ARE CONCERNED BY SOME ASPECTS
OF THE SWAPO PRESENTATION, E.G., ITS ACCUSATION THAT THE
CONTACT GROUP IS SEEKING TO SPLIT THE SWAPO ORGANIZATION.

3. IN THOSE CIRCUMSTANCES, WE BELIEVE THE BEST MOVE FOR THE CONTACT GROUP TO TAKE WOULD BE TO ASK SWAPO TO DISCUSS THE IMPLEMENTATION OF 385 WITH IT. THE SWAPO EXECUTIVE MIGHT BE INVITED TO NEW YORK FOR THESE TALKS ON THE GROUNDS THAT IN NEW YORK SWAPO WOULD BE ABLE ALSO TO TALK TO WALDHEIM, THE COUNCIL FOR NAMIBIA, AND VARIOUS CONCERNED AFRICAN GOVERNMENTS. WE ALSO SUGGEST THAT THE

THE INVITATION BE ISSUED PROMPTLY BEFORE FRONT LINE PRESIDENTS REACT IN SUPPORT OF MOST RECENT SWAPO STATEMENT.

4. WE BELIEVE, MOREOVER, THAT IT WOULD BE HIGHLY USEFUL IF WE COULD GET THE FRONT LINE PRESIDENTS TO BACK THE IDEA OF A MEETING WITH SWAPO IN NEW YORK. IF THE CONTACT GROUP AGREE, MESSAGES TO THE INVOLVED PARTIES COULD BE SENT SIMULTANEOUSLY.

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